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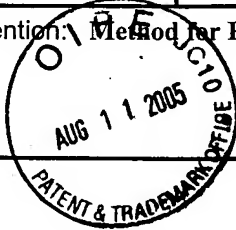
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Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application.

☒ Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27

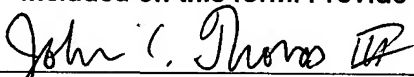
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Patent Application

Serial No. 10/756,956

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Dear Commissioner:

A. INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

This is an Amendment in Response to the May 16, 2005 Office Action. Applicant wishes to thank Examiner Kenneth B. Rinehart for the courtesy extended to Applicant's counsel, John C. Thomas III during telephone interviews on August 3, 2005, and August 8, 2005. John C.

Thomas III contacted the Examiner to ask if Applicant rewrites claims 4-10, 13, 15-20 and 22 as

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independent claims, would this cause the Examiner to issue a restriction requirement. The Examiner indicated that he did not believe there would be a restriction requirement. John C. Thomas III also discussed Ashworth Patent No. 5,967,061 ("Ashworth") regarding whether Ashworth discloses adding an alkaline admixture to a fossil fuel feed. The Examiner indicated that the alkaline admixture shown in Ashworth is part of a coal water slurry and, therefore, it was adding an alkaline admixture to a fossil fuel feed.